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SUBJECT: JAPAN'S TRADE BY AREA AND COMMODITY - JUNE - PROVISIONAL

1. FOLLOWING ARE CUSTOMS DATA ON JAPAN'S JUNE TRADE BY AREA AND COMMODITY PROMISED IN SEPTEL.

2. COLUMN HEADINGS FOR ALL TABLES ARE AS FOLLOWS: (1) JUNE 1976 VALUE IN MIL DOLLARS, (2) PERCENT INCREASE OVER JUNE 1975. FIGURES FOR CUMULATIVE TRADE IN COMPARISON WITH YAR AGO WILL BE PRESENTED IN USUAL MONTHLY B/P AIRGRAM AT END OF EVERY QUARTER. PAREN AROUND ITEMS INDICATE THEY ARE INCLUDED IN PRECEDING SUBGROUP.

3. TRADE BY AREA (1) (2)

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EXPORTS (F.O.B.)

TOTAL EXPORTS	5,731.9	28.5
ADVANCED AREA	2,646.8	50.7
(U.S.)	1,307.6	51.7
(W. EUROPE)	901.2	60.0
DEVELOPING AREA	2,868.1	17.6
COMMUNIST AREA	403.7	MIN 4.1
IMPORTS (C.I.F.)		
TOTAL IMPORTS	5,436.1	20.0
ADVANCED AREA	2,303.8	14.9
(U.S.)	994.1	3.2
(W. EUROPE)	414.1	10.3
DEVELOPING AREA	2,908.0	28.0
COMMUNIST AREA	224.3	MIN 12.1

4. GLOBAL TRADE BY SPECIAL CLASSIFICATION:

	(1)	(2)
EXPORTS (F.O.B.)		
TOTAL EXPORTS	5,731.9	28.5
MACHINERY	3,317.0	39.7
(MOTOR VEHICLES)	760.5	41.9
(PASSENGER CARS)	507.1	43.1
(MOTORCYCLES)	82.6	MIN 13.3
(SHIPS)	533.1	19.2
IRON AND STEEL	920.4	6.9
CHEMICALS	319.6	0.7
IMPORTS (C.I.F.)		
TOTAL IMPORTS	5,436.1	20.0
FOODSTUFFS	849.4	17.1
MINERAL MATERIALS	409.4	7.8
(IRON ORE)	217.0	28.6
(STEEL SCRAP)	18.2	MIN 61.1
OTHER RAW MATERIALS	561.6	16.4
(SOYBEANS)	62.8	1.5
(LUMBER)	291.9	18.7
MINERAL FUELS	2,281.7	22.6
(CRUDE OIL)	1,689.6	21.3
(COAL)	302.7	0.4
MACHINERY	368.5	8.2

5. CUSTOMS EXPORTS TO U.S. (F.O.B.) - SELECTED ITEMS:

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	(1)	(2)
TOTAL EXPORTS TO U.S.	1,307.6	51.7
FOODSTUFFS	21.4	102.3
(FISH AND SHELLFISH)	16.0	116.9
COTTON FABRICS	2.6	103.7
SYNTHETIC TEXTILES	12.7	54.6
CLOTHING	22.3	57.6
CHEMICALS	32.3	34.9

IRON AND STEEL	182.1	22.3
METAL PRODUCTS	57.2	31.6
MACHINERY	834.5	58.9
(OFFICE EQUIPMENT)	29.5	65.3
(TV'S)	62.0	181.2
(RADIOS)	58.3	88.6
(MOTOR VEHICLES)	267.1	33.5
(MOTORCYCLES)	20.1	MIN 60.1
(OPTICAL INSTRUMENTS, INCLUDING CAMERAS)	50.4	52.4
(TAPE RECORDERS)	31.9	57.1

6. CUSTOMS IMPORTSNSOJWBEZ

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TOTAL IMPORTS FROM U.S.	994.1	3.2
FOODSTUFFS	227.6	19.9
(BEEF)	31.2	380.8
(FISH AND SHELLFISH)	4.9	MIN 8.4
(WHEAT)	53.7	15.2
(FEED CORN)	59.2	MIN 4.2
(SORGHUM)	17.3	67.3
RAW COTTON	22.2	MIN 16.0
METAL MATERIALS	16.2	MIN 62.2
SOYBEANS	59.9	0
LUMBER	108.1	MIN 2.0
MINERAL FUELS	95.8	MIN 42.5
CHEMICALS	99.8	64.5
OFFICE EQUIPMENT	22.5	37.6
AIRCRAFT	35.3	82.6
NON-FERROUS METAL	7.1	MIN 28.8

7. ANALYSIS ON JUNE PRELIMINARY CUSTOMS TRADE DATA

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INDICATES THAT FOODSTUFFS, CRUDE MATERIALS AND CHEMICAL PRODUCTS HAVE BEEN MAJOR CONTRIBUTORS TO SHARP GAINS IN JUNE CUSTOMS IMPORTS. WITH RESPECT TO EXPORTS, GROWTH IN AUTO EXPORTS SLOWED DOWN SOMEWHAT IN JUNE, REPORTEDLY BECAUSE OF COMPLETION OF INVENTORY ADJUSTMENT IN THE U.S.: SHIPMENTS OF ELECTRIC APPLIANCES, ON THE OTHER HAND, ACCELERATED THEIR RATE OF INCREASE IN JUNE.

8. MOF OFFICIAL SAID JUNE CUSTOMS IMPORTS RECORDED MORE RAPID INCREASE THAN HAD BEEN ANTICIPATED. AFTER RELEASE OF JUNE PRELIMINARY TRADE DATA, OFFICIAL PREDICTED JAPAN'S IMPORTS (ON CUSTOMS BASIS) MIGHT INCREASE RAPIDLY, ALTHOUGH HE ADDED THAT ONE MONTH'S DATA (JUNE) ARE NOT YET ENOUGH TO CONFIRM THIS POSSIBLITY.

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